



Town of Wyoming  
Council Meeting  
Wyoming Town Annex  
February 6, 2012  
7:30 P.M.

REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Rife called the Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

PLEDGE: Mayor Rife

MOMENT OF SILENCE: Mayor Rife

Council attending: Mayor Dale Rife, Vice-Mayor Terry Witt, Secretary Jacqueline Stokes, Treasurer Georgette Williams, Councilwoman Tracy Greenwood

Council absent: None

Staff attending: Town Clerk Pamela Haddick, Police Chief Martin Willey

Audience attending: Lisa Fulcher, Terrie Witt, Elaine Bilow, Joyce & Richard Stockslager, Mike Marasco, Jody Sweeney, L. Gene McFann, Mike Quinn

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

- Mayor Rife stated that the following items need to be changed on the Agenda:
  - Add the Peach Festival Report after Planning & Zoning
  - Remove the Use of Pavilion under Park/Street Report

*Ms. Williams made a motion to adopt the agenda as corrected. Mr. Witt seconded the motion. All in favor; none opposed.*

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

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*Mr. Witt motioned to accept the minutes seconded by Ms. Stokes. All in favor; none opposed.*

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Ms. Williams presented the financial reports and stated that on the balance sheet the money market savings looks low; however, we have money coming back from expenditures made by the Town for Remus Lane and the EECBG Grant Upgrading of Doors & Windows in Town Hall. When adding what is owed to us, the correct balance should be \$114,163.88.

- Municipal Street Aid funds have not been touched. There is \$5,437.53 in that account that is additional money we received for use on road projects only. We are investigating what project(s) to fund with this.

*Mr. Witt made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report subject to audit. Ms. Stokes seconded the motion. All in favor; none opposed.*

- Ms. Williams stated that she would like to start working on the budget and asked to schedule a workshop this month. After some discussion Saturday, February 25, 2012, at 12:00 noon was set for the workshop.
- Now that the painting & carpeting is complete in Town Hall, Ms. Williams suggested doing the same in the Police Department. Estimates have been received from the same contractors that had the low bids on the Town Hall and the painting and carpeting can be done for a total of \$1,945.00. *Ms. Williams made a motion seconded by Mr. Witt to go ahead and have the Police Department painted and carpeted with the same colors as Town Hall. All in favor; none opposed.*

#### POLICE REPORT – CHIEF MARTIN WILLEY

- Chief Willey gave the police report for December. The written report is part of the packet.
- Chief Willey also stated that there has been some interest in forming a Neighborhood Crime Watch. He is scheduling a meeting to discuss this on Tuesday, March 6, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. in the Annex. Mr. Jody Sweeney stated that the Kent County Crime Watch is reorganizing and expanding – it will do training and provide signs, flashlights, T-shirts, etc. to local groups. He also suggested that the Town and/or individuals may want to donate to this.

#### FIRE COMPANY REPORT

- There was no one available to give a report from the Fire Company.
- Mr. Jody Sweeney reported that the state wants 1.5 million dollars from the county budget to support the fire companies which will increase property taxes. Camden-Wyoming Fire Company will be receiving a 36% increase in the amount they receive from Kent County this year.

#### PLANNING & ZONING

- There was no meeting in January due to lack of business.

#### COMMITTEE REPORT

- Peach Festival – Ms. Stokes reported that she wrote a grant this year for the Peach Festival. Last year she got \$150.00 to help with postage but this year she requested \$500.00. Thanks to Mr. Jody Sweeney and Mr. Eric Buckson, KC Commissioner, she received \$600.00.

#### BUILDING INSPECTOR REPORT/ CODE VIOLATION REPORT

- The open building permit report is in the packets.
- Ms. Haddick reported that we have two companies that will be giving us estimates on cleaning up any property that needs nuisance abatement. Richard Snyder will meet with each at each property so that both will be bidding on the same work.

#### C/W SEWER & WATER REPORT

- Mr. Mike Quinn reported that Wynsome Knoll is going into Phase II and sewer and water is being installed in the remainder of the subdivision.
- The S. Layton Avenue project is just about complete. The balance will be done in the Spring.



## PARK/STREET REPORT

- Mr. Witt reported that Catholic Charities has requested the use of the Park Pavilion through the summer in the mornings, either 8 – 12 or 9 – 1. It will be every day, Monday, through Friday. Ms. Haddick stated that there will be approximately 15 children with 8 adults.
- Mr. Witt also thanked Mr. Mike Marasco for donating the tree that the Town decorated the train platform with over the holidays. The tree has been planted at Johnson Square to replace the dead tree that has been taken down.

## OLD BUSINESS

- None

## NEW BUSINESS

- The Town has received a suggestion and quote from Austin Signs to add something to our current Welcome to Wyoming sign on the corner of Caesar Rodney and Camden Wyoming Avenues showing that the land was donated to the Town by Ms. Rose Chatto. No one on Council was really happy with his suggested design. It was mentioned that we might put a bench there with a plaque on it. Mr. Mike Marasco asked to speak and brought up that Rose really loved the outdoors and wildlife of all kinds and thought maybe a birdbath would be nice. We could then just get a small marker to put in the ground with the donation information. That corner is extremely busy and there is also an issue with trash being thrown there due to the bus stop being adjacent to this piece of property. He feels a bench will only encourage more of that. Council liked this idea and will be looking into what might be available.
- The Town had planned to do an ordinance on a truck route through Town; however, Chief Willey has been in touch with Del-Dot and we cannot disallow trucks on any state maintained roads in Town. The only road we can keep trucks from using is N. Layton Avenue because it is not state maintained and a survey has been done on it and determined it is too congested for truck traffic.
- The residents of Remus Lane have asked if a stop sign can be placed at the end of Remus Lane at where it opens onto Willow Grove Road. Chief Willey checked with Del-Dot and they said this was up to the Town. They have no problems with it. *Mr. Witt made a motion seconded by Ms. Stokes to place a stop sign on the corner of Remus Lane and Willow Grove Road (Route 10). All in favor; none opposed.*
- Chief Willey has had notice back from Del-Dot referencing the No Parking signs on Caesar Rodney Avenue and Old North Road. The resolution satisfies them and we can put up the signs any time. The signs will be ordered.
- Some discussion ensued referencing the intersection of Caesar Rodney Avenue and Old North Road. Now that the school entrance is open and being used, we will request Del-Dot to do a study of that intersection with the hopes of either putting up a light or at least making it a 4-way stop. They want the school to be up and running for a while before doing this study giving everyone time to adjust.

## CORRESPONDENCE

- All correspondence is on file at Town Hall if anyone is interested in seeing it.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- A. Town Council Meeting – 3/5/12, 7:30 pm, Annex
- B. Planning & Zoning – 2/14/12, 7:30 pm, Annex
- C. CWSWA – 2/14/12, 7:00 pm, CWSWA office

- D. Peach Festival Committee – 2/21/12, 7:30 pm, Annex
- E. Budget Workshop – 2/25/12, 12:00 noon, Annex
- F. Community Crime Watch Meeting – 3/6/12, 7:00 pm, Annex

#### GOOD NEWS

- Town Hall has completed the painting and carpeting project and done downsizing and rearranging of the office. The Police Department is now about to do the same. Once it is all done, please come by to see it. We are very proud of the way it looks now.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Lisa Fulcher questioned whether anything is being done about the flooding on S. Layton Avenue. Mayor Rife said she has met with people from various agencies and has some ideas. Also Delmarva Power is taking down the substation and cleaning up the ditch on Southern Boulevard. We may be able to install pumps that will pump the water away from the area and into the storm drains.
- Mike Marasco asked if of the two prices we are getting for cleanup of code enforcement issues is one of them from Camden Wyoming Sewer & Water Authority. He was told that it was.
- Jody Sweeney stated that the Boy Scouts are planning for their first Jamboree in May at the new facility on New Burton Road.
- Mr. Sweeney also stated that the W. Dover By-Pass is going out for bid soon.

*Ms. Stokes made a motion seconded by Mr. Witt to adjourn the meeting. All in favor; none opposed.*

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Pamela Haddick, Town Clerk